

NOTICE OF PROPOSED GUIDANCE DOCUMENT

Name Change

Pursuant to Wis. Stat. s. 227.112, the Wisconsin Department of Transportation is hereby seeking comment on Name Change, chs. 342 and 343, a proposed guidance document.

PUBLIC COMMENTS AND DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION

Comments may be submitted to the Wisconsin Department of Transportation for 21 days by:

1. Department's website:

<https://appengine.egov.com/apps/wi/dot/guidance-docs?guidDocId=DMV509>

2. Mailing written comments to:

Division of Motor Vehicles
Wisconsin Department of Transportation
4822 Madison Yards Way
PO Box 7336
Madison, WI 53707-7336

WEBSITE LOCATION OF FINAL GUIDANCE DOCUMENT

The final version of this guidance document will be posted at wisconsindot.gov to allow for ongoing comment.

AGENCY CONTACT

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Driver license or identification (ID) card

If you change your name and hold a Wisconsin ID card or Wisconsin driver license, you will need to visit a [DMV customer service center](#) to get a duplicate license or ID card. DMV customer service centers accept cash, checks, debit cards and the following credit cards: Visa, MasterCard, American Express and Discover. Debit cards will be processed as credit. Before going to a DMV customer service center, you will need to [change your name on your social security card](#). **You will need to surrender your current Wisconsin driver license or Wisconsin ID card when requesting a name change.**

You will need to provide DMV with [proof of identity](#) and [proof of name change](#). You may also need to provide [proof of name and date of birth](#), [proof of residency](#) and [proof of legal presence](#).

A duplicate driver license will be issued to you for \$14. A duplicate ID card costs \$16.

Commercial driver license (CDL)

If you hold a CDL, you will need to visit a [DMV customer service center](#) to have your name changed. **You will need to surrender your current Wisconsin Commercial Driver License (CDL) when requesting a name change.** DMV customer service centers accept cash, checks, debit cards and the following credit cards: Visa, MasterCard, American Express and Discover. Debit cards will be processed as credit.

A replacement driver license will be issued to you. The fee is \$14.

Certificate of title

Changing your name on your Wisconsin driver license or Wisconsin ID card changes your name with DMV. It is not mandatory that you obtain a corrected title, confirmation of ownership* or registration documents with your new name. When DMV issues a subsequent title, confirmation of ownership or registration to you, it will reflect the new name. **You will need to mail in or bring in your current title or confirmation of ownership when requesting a name change.**

Beginning July 30, 2012, state law requires the department to deliver all titles to the lien holder (lender). Vehicle owners will receive a Confirmation of Ownership document in place of the title that is sent to the lien holder (lender).

If you have a lien on your vehicle, check [Lien search](#) and contact the lien holder to obtain the title, if the date processed is on or after July 30, 2012.

After changing your name on your Wisconsin driver license or ID card, you may, however, request a title, confirmation of ownership, or registration document with the new name. The fee is \$5 per vehicle at the DMV customer service center, or no charge by mail, if only the customer name has changed.

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